

MINUTES City Council Housing Subcommittee

Thursday, June 4, 2020 <u>Virtual Meeting/Teleconference</u> 10:00 AM

- I. Roll Call: Present: Councilmember Carmen Montano, Vice Mayor Bob Nuñez, Steve McHarris, Christopher Diaz, Sharon Goei, Robert Musallam, Adam Marcus, Sara Court
- II. Pledge of Allegiance: Councilmember Carmen Montano led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- **III. Approval of Agenda:** Councilmember Carmen Montano motioned to approve the agenda, Vice Mayor Bob Nuñez seconded. Motion approved.
- **IV. Approval of Minutes:** Councilmember Carmen Montano motioned to approve the April 16, 2020 meeting minutes, Vice Mayor Bob Nuñez seconded. Motion approved.

V. Public Forum:

A resident submitted comments regarding the Sunnyhills Apartments, unhoused population, rental assistance and rent forgiveness measures.

VI. Business Items

- a. Local Early Action Planning (LEAP) grant application Staff from Planning (in coordination with Housing) provided an overview of the Local Early Action Planning (LEAP) grant application, including allocation amount, eligible and ineligible activities, proposed grant activities, and timelines.
- b. Rent relief update and approach
 - Staff provided an update of the City's Pilot Rent Relief Program and County rent relief efforts.
 - Staff to agendize a Pilot Rent Relief Program update at June 16th City Council Meeting with the following recommendations from the Subcommittee:
 - Modify program maximum assistance amount per household from \$5,000 to \$3,500.
 - Provide staff direction on the funding amount(s) and funding source(s) for the Pilot Rent Relief Program.
 - Provide staff direction on whether to remove "Pilot" from the name of the program. Staff to continue discussions about utilizing the Economic Development Corporation.
- c. Housing resources website
 - Staff reviewed the housing resources webpage updates based on prior Subcommittee feedback and the new Rent Relief Program webpage.
 - Staff to reach out to the apartments association to see if they have funds available for rent relief.
- d. Affordable housing and building safety webinars and workshops

 Staff provided an update on the affordable housing and building safety webinars and workshops that were presented in May by the City in partnership with SV@Home.

 Webinars are posted on housing's webpage, providing further resources for the community.
- VII. Adjournment: To future meeting.